

4th July 2018

Dear Residents

Re: Land off Ribston Avenue, Exeter EX1 3QE and the proposed 54 bed independent Hospital (Secure Unit) with car parking and access
Application Number 18/0873/Ful

As your Conservative Ward Councillors we wrote to you on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2018 and again on the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2018 to let you know of the above proposal and about the public meeting which was held on the 15<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

As promised we are keeping you informed of the developments at Ribston Avenue. The above Planning Application is being presented to Exeter City Council Planning Committee either on the 23<sup>rd</sup> July or 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018.

We feel that residents should be made fully aware of what is proposed in their community. To date the Planning Officers have indicated that they have received only 'single figure' comments on the application. Even if you have already submitted a comment then please send it again with a copy to either David, Yolonda or Peter (contact details attached).

Having researched the applicant it has become patently clear that there are questions to be asked of the competency of applicant (Cygnet). As recently as December 2017 Cygnet was accused of failing vulnerable young patients and was issued with fixed penalty notices by the Quality Care Commission. It was said that staff were 'often reliant on police intervention to manage incidents at one of their hospitals'.

This development, if approved, will likely have a detrimental impact on the amenity and quality of life for nearby residents. This consultation is important. Your views are important and if you have any comments/ observations, then please send them, no later than 12.00 on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July, to:



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## Kind regards

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